

COMMUNITY NEWS

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of Elba.

* Finally, the bid for cleaning of the Enterprise Courthouse was awarded to Creek Services Inc.

Commissioners also voted to table bid awardings for paper products, personal hygiene items and food service supplies until the next meeting.

County administrator Wilson Mobley informed commissioners that a senior aide slot used by HRDC currently is not being used in Coffee County. Since the senior aide slots are allocated for the county, Mobley said commissioners could choose to leave it alone, ask HRDC to return that slot for use in Coffee County or take the slot back and use at the county's discretion.

Commission chairman Robert Stephens said HRDC officials had asked to be given time to restore the slot and return its use to Coffee County.

Therefore, commissioner Ernest Brooks offered a motion with a second from Stephens to give HRDC a chance to restore the slot to be used in Coffee County. If not, the county will take the spot back to use at its discretion.

The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

In other matters, the commission:

- * Approved the solid waste management plan.
- * Approved senior citizen center policy renewals.

Upon the recommendation of county engineer Randy Tindell, renewed a contract with Donnell Trucking for another year.

Upon the recommendation of Tindell, awarded the striping bid to Ozark Striping.

Upon the recommendation of Tindell, approved a motion to purchase approximately 25 acres of land on County Road 345 from Roland Powell for \$25,000. The land will be used for the purpose of a clay pit.



Herby McCall, left, begins stacking sand bags filled by City of Elba employees Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 14, in preparation of Hurricane Ivan's visit to the local area later in the week. The city employees spent a majority of the day Tuesday making preparations for the storm and any potential damage it might leave behind.



City employee Ralph Crocker watches while a co-worker replenishes the machine employees used in filling sand bags Tuesday afternoon. City officials began working early Tuesday morning to prepare the city for Hurricane Ivan.



Elba City employees do last minute adjustments on the massive mobile generator that operates the pumps which dump collected rainwater over the levee when the waters from the rising Pea River have shut off the flap gates on the drain pipes through the levee. This generator is designed to operate the pumps if regular electric power has been disrupted. It was placed on the levee Tuesday in anticipation of being needed before Hurricane Ivan has left the Elba area.

Antique and Collector Car Show scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 2, at Dothan's Landmark Park

Antique and collector cars, trucks and motorcycles from all across the Wiregrass Region and beyond will roll into Dothan, Alabama on Saturday, Oct. 2, 2004 for the 22nd Annual Antique and Collector Car Show. The event is the largest car show in the region and will be held at Dothan's 100-acre Landmark Park.

Over 150 vehicles are expected to be on display in 45 different classes. The 45 classes include A-Models; antique and modified Mustangs, Corvettes, Chevrolets, Camaros and Firebirds; Street Rods; Muscle Cars; antique motorcycles and scooters; foreign cars; Late Great Chevys; Mini-Trucks and more. "Tuner" vehicles will be this year's featured vehicles and will be showcased around the park's Victorian-styled gazebo.

"Tuners" are vehicles that have been highly accessorized with TV's, sound systems, and other technology or electronics not normally found in automobiles.

Awards will be given in each class, for the club with the most participation, and for the oldest vehicle registered.

The car show is hosted by the Wiregrass Antique and Collector Car Club and all proceeds will benefit Landmark Park, a not-for-profit organization. Visitors can view the cars from 10:00am until 4:00pm.

"The Wiregrass Antique and Collector Car Club does a tremendous job putting on this show each year," stated William Holman, Executive Director of Landmark Park. "Through their dedicated efforts, the club has generated nearly \$100,000 for the park over the last 22 years. That's quite an achievement for a club their size," he stated.

The pre-registration fee to enter a vehicle in the show is \$12.00 per car until September 27. After that date, the fee is \$15.00 per car. Vendor booths must be reserved prior to the show. Vehicles can be registered the day of the show from 8:00

until 11:30am. To receive a registration form, please contact the park office at 334-794-3452.

Landmark Park is located on U.S. Highway 431, three miles north of Dothan, Ross Clark Circle. Concessions will be available. For more information call the park at 334-794-3452 or visit the park's website at www.landmarkpark.com.

Fall book sale to be held at Enterprise Public Library

Friends of the Enterprise Public Library will hold its fall book sale Thursday, Sept. 30, 9 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. at the library. Members of the association are invited to a "Friends Only Pre-Sale Night" on Wed., Sept. 29, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the library. Fiction, nonfiction, children and young adult books will be for sale, as well as CD's, videos and audio cassettes.

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Hurricane Ivan delivers destructive path across state and county

Coffee County damages exceed an estimated \$1 million

by Linda Hodge, Editor

After days of anticipation, Hurricane Ivan made its way through Alabama last Thursday, Sept. 17, leaving a very noticeable path of destruction.

The local area escaped the worst of the storm; however, damages of more than \$1 million were realized in Coffee County.

According to Coffee County Emergency Management Agency director John Tallas, the county experienced approximately \$1,028,430 in damages to public buildings and infrastructure including utilities, roads, bridges, etc.

Tallas said personal property damages also were experienced, but those will be handled by FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) on an individual basis under the category of individual assistance. He said anyone that had personal property damaged as a result of Hurricane Ivan should call FEMA at (800) 621-3362; however, he said citizens should be prepared to wait as the agency is extremely busy with teams working from the most seriously damaged counties to the least damaged.

Tallas said the damage in Coffee County was primarily limited to debris, power outages and loss of food from refrigerators and freezers for those who did not have generators.

"I think we all should agree we were blessed," Tallas said. He said there were some homes that received more damage than others with trees falling on them, but the majority of the county's residents escaped without major damage.

Hurricane Ivan, a category four hurricane, made landfall at Gulf Shores, Ala., around 1:30 a.m. last Thursday morning and spent the majority of the day making its way through the state. The storm was so big and strong, it spent nearly 12 hours over land before it was down-sized to a tropical storm.

Although the worst weather for Coffee County was experienced during the early hours of Thursday morning, rain and



The home of Doug Holderfield, located on Highland Drive in Elba, received extensive damages as Hurricane Ivan's winds knocked a tree over on the house.

wind gusts remained throughout the day. As the storm made its way through the area, many trees and power lines were knocked down by high winds causing county roads to be closed until debris could be moved.

Also, many county residents experienced power outages; however, Tallas said the county was in pretty good shape in regards to electrical power by Tuesday afternoon of this week.

On Tuesday, he said 95-97 percent of power had been restored countywide. He said South Alabama Electric Cooperative still had a few customers without power in the northern part of the county Tuesday morning. Also, he said there were some isolated issues within the county where electrical crews were working with individual issues.

As of Tuesday, the American

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This huge oak tree was completely uprooted by Hurricane Ivan's winds last Thursday. The tree landed on top of a house located on County Road 418. According to local residents, the homeowner was not at home when the tree fell; however, a neighbor who lives in a mobile home was staying in the house during the storm for safety purposes. Fortunately, no one was injured.

Elba board of education approves Fiscal Year 2005 capital plan

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City School Board September meeting included hiring a Special Education Aide, approving the fiscal year 2005 Capital Plan, paying the bills and routine announcements.

Kevin Kelley was approved as the Special Ed aide. The Capital Plan for the next

two years includes Roofing repairs at the high school; erosion prevention on the entire campus; gym floor improvements at the high school; computer upgrades at both schools; replace some carpet in elementary school; repair high school auditorium roof leaks; and the additional paved parking lot at the high school.

Superintendent Danny Weeks told board members that the much harder graduation exam results this year are much better than last year. Ninth grade students improved from a 61 percent passing grade to a 90 percent rate - with three more years of high school left.

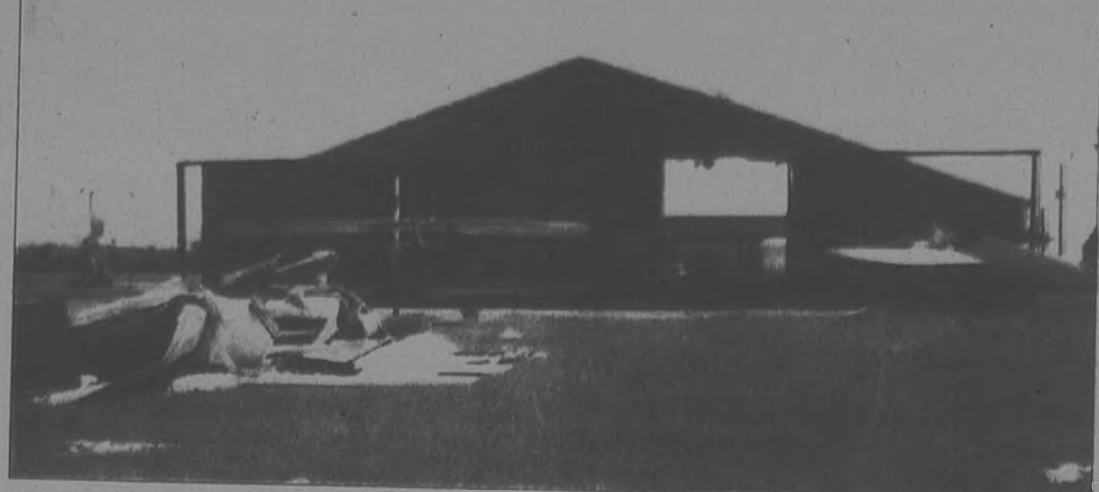
Tenth grade students passing the test increased in every category, which include reading, language, science, math and social studies.

The Elba School system has again achieved SACS Accreditation, board members heard.

The Business/Marketing program at Elba High School achieved Business/Industry certification. Weeks said this is an excellent program, largely due to the efforts of Mrs. Ingrid Clark and Mrs. Martha Crawford.

The general fund bank balance should end the fiscal year October 1st with the two month operating balance strongly demanded by the state department of education. Weeks told board members this is necessary for several reasons, including the fact payrolls must be paid on preset dates and the state education funds are rarely received until later than that. Also, the local school boards must be prepared for the reoccurring proration of the state budgets.

The American Red Cross operated a shelter at the Elba Elementary School for citizens seeking shelter during the bad weather brought to the area by Hurricane Ivan last Thursday, Sept. 16. The shelter opened Wednesday evening. According to reports, 105 people sought shelter at the school during the storm. There were also 20 volunteers on site. The shelter closed at 4 p.m. Thursday afternoon. Volunteer Paul Morrow is shown assisting evacuees.



This hanger occupied by Wing Nuts, Inc. at the airport in Elba received massive damage as Hurricane Ivan wreaked havoc on the area last Thursday, Sept. 16. The back side of the hanger blew through the front and a majority of the roof is gone. Everything stored inside the hanger was scattered with the two planes shown above also being blown outside. Like many other places throughout the county, business owner Mike Haynes began the clean up process on Friday.

Elba mayor proud of employees' response to hurricane

by Linda Hodge, Editor

City of Elba officials spent lots of time early last week planning and preparing for Hurricane Ivan's eventual visit, and when all was said and done, the city was ready for the task at hand.

"Our employees responded great during and after the storm," Elba Mayor James Grimes said. "It was a total team

effort with everyone working together, and the planning we did prior to the storm helped prepare us for the destruction."

Grimes said he was extremely proud of the city's employees. He said they worked long and hard to get things back in order from clearing debris from roadways to restoring power.

Grimes said many of the employees worked 15-16 hours a day for several days while some electrical and water department employees worked almost 24 hours from Wednesday night until Thursday night.

As of Tuesday, the mayor said the city's electric department had restored power to 100 percent of the city.

"We still have a lot of debris removal ahead of us," Grimes said. "Our employees are using three vehicles trying to move the debris as quickly as possible, and we ask the citizens to be

patient during this process."

Other than being fortunate to not receive the worst of Hurricane Ivan's destructive path, Grimes said Elba was also very fortunate not to get more rain than it did. Throughout the storm, he said the City of Elba received almost six inches of rain.

On Friday, Sept. 24 (tomorrow), the Elba Chamber of Commerce will host an appreciation lunch for city employees at the Elba Fire Department from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Grimes said several business leaders discussed this with the chamber and felt it important to show the employees how much the people of Elba appreciate everything they did to get things back to normal following Ivan's destructive visit.

The mayor and chamber officials encourage everyone to stop by and say thanks to the employees.

Elba City Council approves bid for resurfacing of several streets

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council business for September 13th was conducted in a businesslike manner and without dispute.

Chief R. W. Whitworth reported that a recent audit of the grant funds used to purchase generators for the communication system found no problems, as the funds were used exactly as allocated. He added that they have just replaced the police radio system which was burned up by a lightning strike.

The department is moving forward with a grant application for \$15,000 to purchase three to four additional video cameras for patrol cars, Whitworth added.

Mayor James Grimes reported that FEMA was questioning the installation of bathrooms on the new ball fields were planned. Grimes recommended that the project application be withdrawn until a complete review of the available recreation facilities is completed. He

then wants to hold a council workshop with the recreation director to set the long range plans for the department.

The council approved a resolution allowing the mayor and city clerk to sign papers requesting a \$450,000 downtown revitalization grant.

Bids for resurfacing several city streets were reviewed and the low bid of \$86,474.27 by APAC was accepted. The only other bidder was Wiregrass Construction Co.

Monthly bills of \$99,542.17 were approved for payment.

City Clerk Wayne Grantham reported that city departments had made all the preparations possible in anticipation of Hurricane Ivan.

Councilman Ronnie Hammond asked that the street department check some storm drainage problems in Mulberry Heights.

The city council set a workshop for September 20th to go over early drafts of the 2005 budget. An organizational meeting of the new city council was scheduled for September 21st.

NOTICE

Several members of the Elba National Guard unit were activated following Hurricane Ivan's destruction throughout Alabama.

According to unit leaders, more than 30 members of the unit have been deployed to various counties in the western part of the state, which received the most damage from Hurricane Ivan.

The guardians are setting up distribution points by hauling food, water and ice.

Area Happenings

THE 2004 HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SEASON continues Friday, Sept. 24, with the Elba Tigers facing the Laverne Tigers. Also, New Brockton will travel to Pleasant Home, Kinston will host Sanson, Zion Chapel will host St. Jude and Brantley will travel to Highland Home.

ZION CHAPEL PTO will meet Thursday, Sept. 23, at 6 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

ELBA HIGH SCHOOL HOMEcoming PARADE will be October 8, at 3:00 p.m. - to submit entries please contact Elba High School @ 897-2266.

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Special 20th Anniversary Celebration Activities

Thursday, September 16

8:00 p.m. (approximately)
Free outdoor concert

- Bobby Moore & the Rhythm Aces
- Free soft drinks and \$1 beer outside

Plasma TV drawings

8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Friday, September 17

9:00 p.m. (approximately)
Free outdoor concert

- Denise LaSalle "Queen of the Blues"
- Free soft drinks and \$1 beer outside

Plasma TV drawings

8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. - Midnight - 1:00 a.m. - 2:00 a.m.

Saturday, September 18

11:30 a.m.
20th Anniversary TeeShirt Giveaway

(free while they last to all patrons)

- Free matinee and evening racing programs

Noon and throughout the afternoon

- Clubhouse barbecue plate special

1:30 p.m.
\$20 Lets-U-Play for \$20,000 Bingo

(Reserve your place in advance at VictoryLand Bingo. Seating limited.)

Saturday evening

- Prime Rib Dinner for two for \$20

9:00 p.m.
Free outdoor concert

- The Tams (starts around 9:00 p.m.)
- 7th Wonder Band (starts around 11:00 p.m.)
- Free soft drinks and \$1 beer outside

9:00 p.m.
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EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Heddy and I went to Kinston late Thursday to check on my aunt's home for her. (I'm 66 years old, but would I dare write that this is my "elderly aunt" as she can still do more yard work than many much younger people.) She was in Birmingham with other relatives. (Ironically Birmingham had worse Ivan damage than Kinston.) Then we drove to Enterprise. Coming back into Elba after dark it was a beautiful sight to see street lights shining on East Davis. At that moment we could have hugged the neck of any one of those hard working utility department workers! As it turned out the Elba utility workers did all the local repairs on their own, before any of the out of town aid had time to even get to Elba. That was really great, as many Alabama folks (including two of our children in Escambia County) were still without electric service as of Tuesday afternoon.

It was amusing to hear the story of someone raising a fuss late Thursday, shortly after the high winds died down enough for workers to safely get into the buckets to do repairs. They declared to the utility worker (who didn't know exactly when this person would get power restored) that they were going to call the mayor because their lights were not already back on. The worker encouraged this complainer to do just that, but to let the phone ring several times because the mayor might have trouble getting to it as he was still in the dark also. I love it when unreasonable expectations get pulled up short with such good responses as this unknown individual got! Actually, after seeing the havoc left by Ivan in other parts of Alabama and in Florida, it is suggested Coffee County people not vent their complaints about slow response time from relief workers on our ears.

We have so many reasons to be thankful, both personally and as a community. You can look around and see the many community reasons. Our personal reasons are long, varied, and far, far more than we have ever deserved. Heddy and I spent Saturday and Sunday in Atmore helping in the recovery from Hurricane Ivan. Daughter Michele and her husband Tom had a 50-60-year-old pine tree lying in their personal bedroom, their living room and the top was poking limbs into the den. Another equally large tree did some damage over the garage. Pausing a bit Sunday afternoon to catch our breath and cool off, we looked around and began to reflect on this personal thankfulness bit. First and foremost they were safe, having gotten out of the bedroom ten minutes before the trunk of that tree so rudely came visiting. Then there was our two sons helping them, oblivious to the heat and their own aching muscles. Daughter Michele was there with a hammer, matching me nail for nail. Even a daughter-in-law was on top of the house holding things for one of the boys. We left there Sunday night tired and with tons of their storm drenched clothes and bedding for Heddy to wash and dry, but more thankful for, and proud of, our family than ever before.

The CBS/Dan Rather mistake with the Bush National Guard papers is causing lots of glee with other media outlets and of course some political fanatics. Our perspective is apparently different from all the others. Yes, they messed up, but so have we and all those others out there - mistakes are part of life. Where we really fault CBS and Dan Rather is in waiting so long to admit their mistake and even then crawling with their admission. "Just say 'I've screwed up'" and move on with a resolve to exert a stronger effort to prevent such events in the future. Instead their admission included some "ifs, ands, buts" indicating they still badly wanted the now discredited documents to be real. Oh, someone (or two or more) at CBS will decide to leave the network, take a new assignment, retire, etc., as the company tries to repair the damage without pointing the finger at any one employee. Yet their best chance of cleaning up the mess was missed because of someone's pride or maybe because a team of very good lawyers is overly protective from the legal exposure to the same laws that caught Martha Stewart.



DR LANCE K DYESS recently donated this Beretta AL390 shot gun to the Elba High School Athletic Club. The weapon is a 2000 Ducks Unlimited 12 gauge shotgun with choke tube and case. The stock is of AAA French Walnut and the weapon has gold engraved ducks/scroll work. It is truly a collector's item, as it is a limited production gun which has never been fired.

Doug Martin, Jr. explained that the athletic club plans to take donations on the gun, beginning on September 24th, and the lucky winner's name will be drawn from the box of donor names at halftime of the December 6th basketball game (Elba/Zion Chapel game). Pictured above are Martin, Dyess and School Board chairman A.R. Williams.

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City employees deserve thanks following Hurricane Ivan's visit

by Linda Hodge, Editor

There were some tense moments at my house early Thursday morning of last week when Hurricane Ivan was making his presence known in the area, but those tense moments had more to do with my dad having to get on the road to make his way to town rather than the howling winds and pouring rains.

Around 4 a.m. Thursday morning, my cell phone rang and one of the dispatcher's at the Elba Police Department gave the signal that it was time for Dad to make his way to town for work. It was a similar call that many city employees received throughout the state!

We, of course, were expecting the phone call, but that didn't keep my sister and me from worrying about Dad's safety as he drove the 10-mile trek back to town from the house.

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, Sept. 13, 2004, investigated the following incidents: two for criminal mischief, two for theft of property, two for burglary, two for domestic violence, one public intoxication, two for harassment, one house fire and one vehicle incident.

The following arrests were made: two for theft of property, one public intoxication, one failure to appear, one burglary warrant and one criminal mischief warrant.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: for speeding, two for driving with a suspended driver's license, one for reckless driving, one for not wearing a seat belt, one for no proof of insurance and one expired license.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:
MONDAY, SEPT. 13 - River stage - 6.99 feet (6:55 a.m.); Report of shoplifting at the Elba MarketPlace (11:50 a.m.).

TUESDAY, SEPT. 14 - River stage - 6.99 feet (7:04 a.m.); Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 1611 N. Claxton Ave. (3:42 p.m.); Assault reported at 1509 Reese Ave. (4:21 p.m.); Domestic disturbance (verbal) reported at 1509 Reese Ave. (8:08 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 15 - River stage - 6.79 feet (7:02 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1209 Farris Ave. (11:11 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a wreck at the intersection of County Road 114 and Hwy. 167 (9:24 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a reported fire at 1118 Caroline St. (9:35 p.m.).

THURSDAY, SEPT. 16 - River stage - 6.99 feet (6:55 a.m.); Report of shoplifting at the Elba MarketPlace (11:50 a.m.).

FRIDAY, SEPT. 17 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 191 Jackson Ave. (1:27 a.m.); River stage - 23.00 feet (7:44 a.m.); Burglary (not in progress) reported at 1888 Martin Luther King Dr. (8:49 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 232 County Rd. 261 (6:05 p.m.); River stage - 20.43 feet (6:48 p.m.).

SATURDAY, SEPT. 18 - Fight in progress reported at Powell Trailer Court, Lot 38 (4:33 p.m.); Possible prowler reported at 1203 Deal St. (8:46 p.m.).

SUNDAY, SEPT. 19 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1209 Farris Ave. (7:37 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 191 Taylor Mill Road (7:16 p.m.); Prowler reported at 1175 Neil Grantham Dr. (8:07 p.m.); Prowler reported at 1175 Neil Grantham Dr. (8:40 p.m.).

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• COFFEE COUNTY COON HUNTERS ASSN. 3rd Sat. - 3 p.m. Club House.

• COFFEE WOMEN 3rd Wed. Noon Colony Inn, Enterprise.

• ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB - 1st & 3rd Monday - 7 p.m. Elba High boys locker room.

• NEW SEASONS STUDY CLUB - Every 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m.

By 4 a.m. that morning, Ivan was already wreaking havoc on the area, and we knew the drive to town would not be easy. A trip that usually takes a little over 10 minutes to make took Dad nearly an hour that morning.

With trees already down, he had to find an alternate route, and by the time my phone rang again with Dad calling to let us know he had safely made it to town, we were beside ourselves with worry.

This story is one that I am sure every family member of a city employee can relate with as many dads, husbands, brothers, wives, mothers, sisters, etc. have made similar drives last Thursday morning. On the other hand, it is a story many people didn't think about as they were at home with their family not having to worry about anyone.

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• ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB - 1st & 3rd Monday - 7 p.m. Elba High boys locker room.

• NEW SEASONS STUDY CLUB - Every 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m.



A city electrical crew clears trees from the power lines on Reddoch Hill in Elba late Friday afternoon following Hurricane Ivan's destruction.

Some citizens were upset because the power wasn't back on by Thursday night while others thought the employees were wrong for going home late Thursday night to get some sleep.

Hey, at my house, we didn't get electricity back until Monday afternoon of this week, and I never once thought about complaining about the electrical crews. I know they were working just as hard as they possibly could to get the power back on for all their customers.

Anything other than a pat on the back and/or a word of thanks is simply not warranted for this particular event.

A good plan and preparedness allowed the local crews to get things up and running very quickly after the destruction of Hurricane Ivan, and I think we all should be thankful for the great job each and every employee did for the community.

On Friday, Sept. 24, the Elba Chamber of Commerce and several business leaders will show their appreciation for the city employees by honoring them with an Appreciation Lunch at the Elba Fire Department from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Although the meal is only for the city employees, I think every citizen is encouraged to come out and say thanks to these men and women for the great job they did following this disaster. Also, anyone interested in making a monetary contribution for the food should contact the Elba Chamber of Commerce.

Just remember, these people had to leave their own families and homes during a disastrous storm to go out and assist others. Any day that's a remarkable attribute that needs and deserves to be commended.

I'm proud of my dad and all the city employees for the job they did last week. They could have just as easily stayed at home not caring what things got fixed following the storm, but instead they all did everything they could as fast as they could and brought order back to Elba in an extremely quick manner. Folks, you can't say for much more than that!

He and the other employees had been working non-stop all week, and they continued to work even after Dad was able to go home Thursday night. They worked in soaking wet clothes and barely stopped long enough to swallow a sandwich.

Personally, I was extremely impressed with their dedication to the job and local citizens. By Friday, a majority of the city had electricity back and things were beginning to get back into normal mode. Now that's something to be thankful for.

For the most part I heard only good things about the city employees and the hard work they did to get things up and running again in Elba. But, as with every story, you also hear bad ones.

It's my understanding that Portable televisions, cold showers and The Weather Channel...Hurricane Ivan realizations

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Boy, Hurricane Ivan was a long and tiring event, and it seems like he was a major part of our lives for several weeks.

Throughout the leading up to the storm, the storm itself and the aftermath, I made a few realizations that I thought I would share.

Life certainly became interesting as we learned to cope without electricity for several days. On Thursday evening, I decided we all must be addicted to television as we sat around watching a portable black and white television set with a 5 inch screen. I don't even remember what we were watching now, but at the time, it was the best thing since sliced bread.

Then Friday, I experienced the joy of cold showers. Man, those things will get your attention real quick. For anyone who didn't have the pleasure, all I can say is think of entering a swimming pool for the first time in cool temperatures. You know how everyone says go ahead and dive in so you can get past the shock of the cold water...well, cold showers are pretty much the same...except about 10 times worse!

Despite these new experiences allowed by the storm, I guess the most interesting realization I had actually came to me before the storm arrived.

When I saw the news reports of the destruction of the city, I was amazed. I had heard that the city was in bad shape, but I didn't realize it was that bad. I had heard that the city was in bad shape, but I didn't realize it was that bad. I had heard that the city was in bad shape, but I didn't realize it was that bad.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ferrin,

It is time to remind people to examine their flags, especially after Ivan has passed. Many have been shredded due to the high winds. Residences, businesses and other locations that have so proudly flown the flag should inspect them and those that are faded or torn should be replaced. The proper means of disposal is by burning but I believe any member of the VFW will take the flag for proper disposal.

Keep them flying!
Jim Nichols

Third, is how he feels about the second amendment since he claims to support it but he has 50 out and 55 against it.

I saw a spokesperson for him on TV say that if you were not in combat you should not question Mr. Kerry's service unless you had been awarded the Bronze Star, so under those rules I will since I was awarded the National Defense Service.

First, is how he feels about communism because he has been a member and cofounder of the Vietnam Vets Against The War and everything I saw from

Viet Service, Viet Campaign,

Good Conduct, Army Commendation Air Medal, and Bronze Star. I am an ex SSG in the US ARMY!

Thank You
David O. Brown

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September 22, 1792, France abolished its thousand-year old monarchy and became a republic.

Shortly after the king's arrest, violence swept across Paris on a scale not seen during the first three years of the revolution. Convicted that members of the aristocracy were undermining the Revolution, mobs invaded prisons. They dragged those accused of counterrevolutionary activities into the street and murdered them. The violence reached its peak during the early days of September, when mobs murdered more than a thousand people.

According to a September 10 report in the London Times, "The streets of Paris, strewn with the carcasses of the mangled victims, are become so familiar to the sight, that they are passed by and trod on without any particular notice. The mob think no more of killing a fellow creature, who is not even an object of suspicion, than of wanting boys would of killing a cat or a dog."

After abolishing the monarchy, the country

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The Internet Modern History Sourcebook is a compilation of original documents that allows readers to explore past events through the eyes of participants. It was compiled by Paul Halsall, a teacher at the University of North Florida.

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Obituaries

NORMA TINDOL PITTMAN
Mrs. Norma Tindol Pittman, age 96, formerly of the New Hope Community, died Thursday, Sept. 16, 2004 at Oak View Manor.

Funeral services were held Sept. 19, 2004 at New Hope Church with Rev. Jerry Long and Rev. Mack King officiating. Burial followed at New Hope Baptist Church Cemetery, New Hope Community, with Dillard Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. Pittman was preceded in death by her husband, Aglin Pittman, and a brother, Lex Tindol.

Survivors include a daughter, Angela Killinsworth, Rudd, New Hope; one brother, James (Reva) Tindol, Enterprise, Ala.; one granddaughter and three great-grandsons.

BARBARA BRIGITTE MICKLON
Ms. Barbara Brigitte Micklon, age 80, of Daleville, Ala. died Thursday, Sept. 16, 2004 at Flowers Hospital in Dothan.

A private memorial service was held Sept. 20, 2004 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba, Ala., with Father Patrick Rohan officiating.

Survivors include four daughters: Nicole Holley, Marianne Brown, Foyall, Wash, Barbara Skov, Marina, Calif.; Jackie Byers, Laurens, S.C.; three sons: Wolfgang Heid, Benjamin Micklon,

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Coffee County Schools

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September 27 - October 1, 2004

| BREAKFAST | LUNCH |
|--|---|
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For I was hungry, and you fed me. I was thirsty, and you gave me drink. I was a stranger, and you invited me into your home. And the King will tell them, "I assure you, when you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters; you were doing for me!" Matthew 25: 35-40

Holy Grounds is looking for amateur comedians. This is a Christian fellowship. This event will take place September 25th at 7 p.m. at The Potter's House located at 4941 Hwy. 27, Enterprise, Ala. 36330. If you have never done comedy before, this is your chance. There will be a \$100 cash prize. For more information please call (334) 393-1937.

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Rev. Jerry Long, Pastor
Sund. School 9:45 a.m.
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Men's Workshop 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Even. Service 7:00 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Rev. J. M. Thorne, Minister
Sund. School 9:00 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

OAK GROVE CHURCH
Dr. Michael Fleming, Pastor
Wed. 4th Sun. Morning 10:00 a.m.
Sund. School 10:30 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sun. Nights 7:00 p.m.
Even. Service 6:00 p.m.

PURDESS ASSSEMBLY OF GOD
Rev. Hollis Bradley, Pastor
Sund. School 9:00 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:00 a.m.
Even. Workshop 4:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

PRaise & GLORY WORSHIP CENTER
Rev. Billy Morris, Pastor
Sund. School 10:00 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:00 a.m.
Even. Workshop 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

RIVER OF LIFE WORSHIP CENTER
Rev. Lamar Dean
Men's Workshop 10:00 p.m.
Even. Workshop 7:00 p.m.
Thurs. Service 6:00 p.m.

ROCKY HEAD BIBLE CHURCH
Rev. W. Willie Paster
Sund. School 10:00 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:30 a.m.
Wed. & 4th Sundays

ROFTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Sund. School 9:45 a.m.
Men's Workshop 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

SHADY GROVE
Rev. J. F. Flowers, Pastor
Sund. School 10:00 a.m.
Men's Workshop 10:00 a.m.
Prayer Service Mon. 3:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Joe Jarvis, Pastor
Sund. School 9:00 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

SANDY CREEK CHURCH
Sund. School 9:45 a.m.
Men's Workshop 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

VANDERBILT HOMES
Pastor Rev. Roy L. Larrar
Sund. School 10:00 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH
Dennis Marler, Pastor
Sund. School 9:45 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Workshop 10:00 p.m.

VICTORY TABERNACLE
Rev. Ruby Nunn, Doug Lawson, Pastor
Sund. School 10:00 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Rev. Rubb Holladay
Sund. School 9:00 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Randall Paster
Sund. School 10:00 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

WISL MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Kenneth Hagler, Pastor
Sund. School 9:00 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

WOODL AND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Roger Lee, Pastor
Sund. School 9:00 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Pastor J. M. Marler, Pastor
Sund. School 10:00 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service 5:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Sund. School 9:45 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service 6:00 p.m.

ZION COMMUNITY CHURCH
Pastor J. M. Johnson
Sund. School 10:00 a.m.
Men's Workshop 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service 6:00 p.m.

Randolph - Treptau wedding planned for Saturday, September 25



Mr. Treptau & Miss Randolph

Miss Randolph currently attends Gadsden State Community College.

Kinston Class of
94 plan 10 year
Class Reunion

Wallace Community College Center for Economic and Workforce Development will offer the first phase of a non-credit residential construction framing course beginning Sept. 14 on the Wallace Campus in Dothan.

Designed to teach students the basics of house framing, the class will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. through Oct. 21.

Class Reunion

The Kingston High School Class of 1994 will hold their 10th Year Reunion on Saturday, October 9th at 6:00 p.m. The reunion will be held at Moore's Buffet Restaurant in Opp (Highway 331 South). For more information, contact the class of 1994 should contact Jody Cooper, Class (334) 897-0382. Cindy Clark, Class (334) 897-0384.

According to labor statistics, construction jobs will increase throughout the country more than 15% by the year 2012. Locally, Fort Rucker will soon be offering employment to trained personnel in a project renovating 1,500 post housing units with a budget of \$24 million.

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EHS Class of 1989 plans 15-year Class Reunion

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The party will be held at Tangles and Threads, 114 N. Claxton Ave., in downtown Elba, and the cost will be \$10 per person. Following the party, everyone will travel to the homecoming game and stay together.

Classmates should R.S.V. by Monday, Oct. 4, by calling Amelia at (334) 692-3978 or Denise at (334) 897-1284.

*LaPann-Hanchey wedding to be held
Saturday, October 2*



Mr. and Mrs. Ronald LaParr of Lawrenceville, Ga., announce the upcoming wedding of their daughter, Summer Sloan LaParr to Justin Anthony Hanchey. The groom is the son of Mr. Tim and Mrs. Jimmie (Galmire) Hanchey of Suwanee, Ga., formerly of Elberton, Ga. The ceremony will be held at Stonehedge in Buford, Ga., on Saturday, Oct. 2.

The bride is the granddaughter of the late Mr. Roy LaParr and the late Mrs. Alice LaParr of Jacksonville, Fla., and the late Mr. Horace Sloan and Mrs. Betty Sloan of Rome, Ga.


She is a graduate of Collins Hill High School, Lawrenceville and Gainesville College in Gainesville, Ga., and is currently employed as a Marketing Director in Lawrenceville.

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WHEREAS, on March 15, 2001 Brenda Kirkland, a married woman, and Ida G. Davis, a married woman, executed to William Jinnig a Real Estate Mortgage upon the real estate hereinafter described, to secure an indebtedness of \$40,000.00, said Mortgage being recorded in Official Record Book 52A, Page 194 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Coffee County at Elba, Alabama; and WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Mortgage and in the performance of the terms of said Mortgage, and said default continuing.

NOW, THEREFORE William Jinnig, the owner of said Mortgage, will sell, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, at 11:00 o'clock A.M. on October 7, 2004 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the Courthouse door of Coffee County in the City of Elba, Alabama, the real estate embraced in said Mortgage, described as follows:

SAID SALE will be made for the purpose of realizing the Mortgage debt, together with all expenses of the sale, including a reasonable attorney's fee. DATED this 14th day of September, 2004.

WILLIAM JINNIG
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Spontaneous combustion can occur in hay if it is baled at too high a moisture level. The general recommendation is that small rectangular bales should be baled at 18% moisture or less. The exception to this is when a hay preservative such as propionic acid is applied to the hay prior to baling. When this is done, hay may be safely baled at 25% moisture or higher.

A temperature probe should be long enough to reach the middle of the bale (normally 18 to 36 inches, depending on the size and type of bale). Checking every bale usually isn't feasible, so it makes sense to monitor bales that seem most likely to cause a problem. This would be bales that seem to contain the wettest hay.

When hay temperature remains below 120 degrees Fahrenheit it is considered safe. The range between 120 and 140 degrees is considered a caution zone in which the hay should be closely monitored. Even if the hay does not catch fire, heating to this level reduces the nutritional value of the hay above, a fire is likely.

Fort Rucker Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) officials are planning the Oktoberfest Celebration to be held on Howze Field at Fort Rucker Sep. 24.

The annual celebration will include food, beverages, souvenirs, activities, Volksmarch, dessert contest, and German dancing.

Admission is free and the public is cordially invited.

Visitors driving through the gates need to show current photo identification, vehicle registration, and proof of insurance. Everyone age 16 or older need to show their photo ID.

Here's the schedule of events: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Dessert entries due 1-4 p.m. Volksmarch 4 p.m. Food and souvenir sales begin

Band begins playing German music 4:30 p.m. German dessert judging begins 6 p.m. Dessert winners announced.

Hundreds of visitors are expected to attend the Oktoberfest until the celebration ends at 9 p.m.

Something for Everyone

Children's activities will

Some "Don't's"

Early detection is key to saving a life from prostate cancer

Screening is urged during Prostate Cancer Awareness Month for all men to get checked.

Los Angeles, California, August 30, 2004-Experts say that a reduction in the number of prostate cancer deaths can be attributed in large part to an increase in early detection of the disease. However, the American Cancer Society estimates that there will be about 230,900 new cases of prostate cancer in the United States this year, and about 29,900 men will die from the disease. Prostate cancer is still the most common type of cancer found in American men other than skin cancer.

September, which is prostate cancer awareness month, Timothy W. Urology, MD, Director of Urology and Urologic Oncology at City of Hope Cancer Center in Los Angeles, emphasizes that prevention and early detection can reduce the risk of prostate cancer and improve treatment outcomes for those who are diagnosed with the disease.

Dr. Wilson recommends that all men over the age of 50 visit their physician for a yearly exam. This exam should include:

* a discussion about risk factors and possible symptoms
* a digital rectal examination (DRE) to detect irregularities of the prostate
* a prostate specific antigen (PSA) blood test

For more information about prostate cancer, residents may request a copy of the "City of Hope Cancer Center" call 1-800-856-HOPE or visit www.cityofhope.org.

exasperated mother constantly trying to get her children to eat more vegetables is one of the endearing American stereotypes—and understandably so. Keith says. In terms of taste, some vegetables simply do not taste as good as others.

Despite all of these challenges, Keith says he has found that Americans eat more servings of fruits and vegetables every day.

There are three main reasons why Americans eat more fruits and vegetables than they did a few years ago. First, there is the issue of health benefits associated with fruits and vegetables.

While he is not completely certain, Keith believes there may be three reasons why Americans fail to capitalize on the many health advantages associated with produce. First, there is the table issue.

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SCHOOLS

Elba High selects Student Council representatives

by Casey Medlock

These are the 2004-2005 Student Council Officers and Class Representatives:

Officers
Kristin Barnes - President
Kendall Stinson - Vice President
Cameron Irwin - Secretary
Lyndsay Lawford - Treasurer

7th Grade Representatives
Kevin Allen, Janae Carley, Jahari Cole, Donnell Horstead, Kere Jones, Jolo McBride, Lindsey McClung and Justin McLaughlin

8th Grade
Megan Anderson, Morgan Anderson, Ashley Bailey, Meredith Brunson, Shelby Brunson, Merrill Curran, April Finadore and Richreana Singletary

9th Grade
Megan Anderson, Ashley Carpenter, Matthew Gibson, Will Gray, Bobby Hudson, Gouerie Hudson, Brittany Phillips and April Price

10th Grade
Brianna Bailey, Whitney Bailey, Sydney Brunson, Christina Bryant, Stephen Driggers, Whitley Kilcrease, Anna Petty and Shai Yelverton

11th Grade
Whitney Anderson, Arrian Bowers, Tori Brooks, Duke Carl, Timothy Jackson, Whitney Lawford, Gale Olson and Ashleigh Waddall

12th Grade
Mallory Allen, Britney Clark, Rebecca English, Kaleb Dyeas, Ashley Gibson, Anna Harrison, Jonathan Lockett and Adam Spicer



2004-05 EHS Student Council officers and class representatives

Did You Know?...Some interesting facts

by Jennifer Grissett

Did you know that Elba High School was formed in 1902? The students that attended EHS at that time went to school with out most opportunities that we now have today. An example of this would be all of the clubs and extracurricular activities formed over the

years.

The first Girl Scout Troop was formed in 1926, and the Athletic Club was established two years later on Nov. 22, 1928. The Beta Club was formed in 1939 and the Drama Club was formed in 1979. With the exception of the Drama Club, all of these other wonderful clubs still exist at Elba High.

Co-Op Spotlight

by Kayla Kelley



This week's Co-Op Spotlight is on Ashley Michele Carnley, a junior at Elba High School.

Ashley is the 17-year-old daughter of Mike and Cindy Carnley. She is currently employed at MCMHLLC, where she has been working for three years.

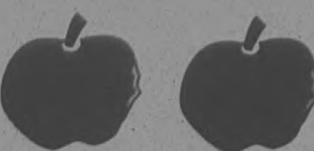
Ashley's job is cleaning, updating computer records and managing the gym.

Ashley participates in many activities and clubs at Elba High School. She is a member of the color guard in the Elba Marching Tiger Band, Senior Beta, Mu Alpha Theta, Spanish Club, VICA and EHS Ambassador.

After graduating high school, Ashley plans to attend Troy University for two years and then enter Auburn's Pharmacy School.

When Ashley is not working, she enjoys going shopping, spending time with friends and practicing color guard.

When asked to describe herself, Ashley replied, "I am a very creative and interesting person." However, we classify her as this week's Co-Op spotlight.



PICTURE OF THE WEEK (by Stephanie Corder)...Maybe we should or maybe we shouldn't!

E.E.S. Menu Sept. 27- Oct 1, 2004

| BREAKFAST | LUNCH |
|---|---|
| Mon. - Cheese Sandwich, Cereal, Juice, Milk | Mon. - Hamburger Helper, Green Beans, Corn, Crackers, Sliced Peaches, Milk |
| Tues. - Pancakes/Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk | Tues. - Hoagie, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Dill Pickles, Peanut Butter Cake, Milk |
| Wed. - Biscuit & Jelly, Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Milk | Wed. - Burrito w/ Cheese, Green Salad, Salsa, Rice, 1/2 Orange, Milk |
| Thur. - Popovers, Toast & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk | Thur. - Cornbread, Macaroni & Cheese, Turnips, Cornbread, 1/2 Apple, Milk |
| Fri. - Cheese Grits, Toast & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk | Fri. - Cheeseburger, Potato Rounds, Lettuce, Tomato, Dill Pickles, Jelly, Milk |

Get in the Game...

Elba Tigers
vs.
Luverne
Friday, Sept. 24
Tiger Stadium



Tiger Tales

Editors:
Casey Medlock &
Kayla Kelley

EHS Student Spotlight

by Tori Brooks

This week's student spotlight is Donnie Stinson. He is 13 years-old and is the son of Donnie and Nita Stinson.

Donnie also has an older sister, Kendall Stinson.

His hobbies include hunting, and fishing.

Donnie plays trombone in the Elba High School Marching Tiger Band and is a member of FCCLA and FFA.

Donnie, called Don Vito by his close friends, attends Westside Baptist Church. He describes himself as kind, friendly and creative.



Donnie Stinson

Congratulations on being this week's student spotlight, Donnie!

Elba High School homecoming parade participants wanted

Everyone is urged to participate in Elba High School's annual homecoming parade.

This year's parade will be held Friday afternoon, Oct. 8, at 3 p.m. Awards will be given in the following categories:

I. ELBA HIGH SCHOOL

ENTRIES: This category includes any class or club entry associated with Elba Elementary School.

II. ELBA ELEMENTARY

SCHOOL ENTRIES: This category includes any class or club entry associated with Elba Elementary School.

III. ALL OTHER

ENTRIES: This category includes any club or organization that is not sponsored by Elba High School such as scout troops, study clubs, and city league football teams and cheerleaders.

Only entries listed in the official line-up will be in competition.

Call Elba High School at 897-2266 for further information or to submit a parade entry.

The deadline for entering is Noon, Thursday, Oct. 7.

*Parade participants should meet behind the old high school at 2 p.m.

Support of this activity will be greatly appreciated.

Elba High School elects FFA officers for 2004-05 school year

by Judson Vaughan



FFA officers include (from left): Judson Vaughan, Kristi Spinks, Ashton Grimes, Brianna Bailey, Ashley Gibson, Whitley Kilcrease and Dustin Rhoades.

Nita Stinson joins Elba High staff

by Britney Clark

As many already know, this year the Elba school system has been flooded with many new faces.

There are many new teachers as well as students, and everyone has welcomed them with open arms.

One new faculty member is not a stranger of the Elba City Schools System, but she has not been teaching at the high school.

Nita Stinson, wife of Donnie Stinson and mother of 16-year-old Kendall and 13-year-old Donnie Stinson Jr., is a speech/language pathologist.



Nita Stinson

This is her 20th year teaching. Stinson previously taught at Elba Elementary School, and before that, she educated students at Headland and Houston County Schools.

For the very first time this year, she is teaching two blocks of language.

Stinson said her first impression of the high school was the professional staff and classrooms.

Working in the high school is a new experience for Mrs. Stinson, in the past she generally worked with children.

Elba High is very glad to have Nita Stinson as a part of its staff!

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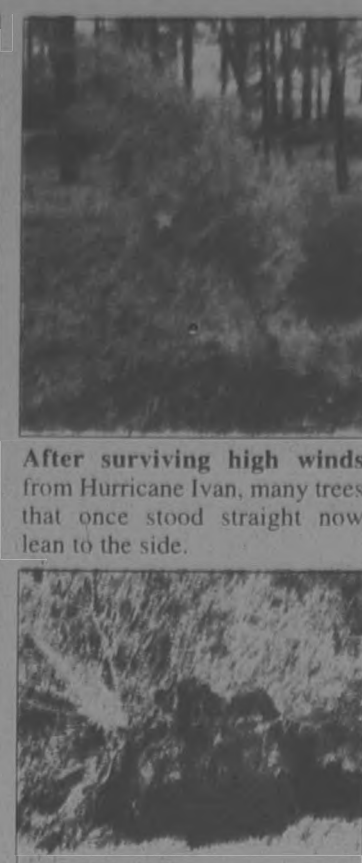
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Additional scenes from Hurricane Ivan's destruction in Elba and Coffee County...



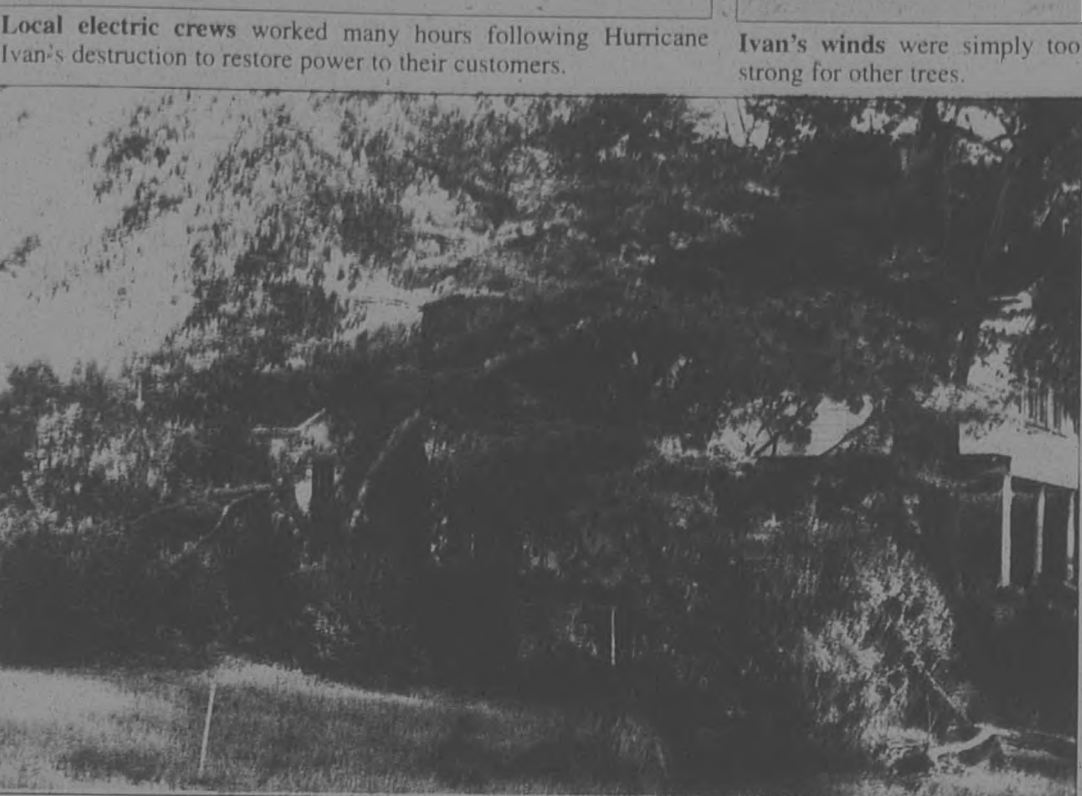
Local electric crews worked many hours following Hurricane Ivan's destruction to restore power to their customers.



After surviving high winds from Hurricane Ivan, many trees that once stood straight now lean to the side.



New Brockton High School lost this pecan tree as high winds from Hurricane Ivan forced the tree over on its side. Kinston School also had an oak tree fall in its yard due to the storm.



After breaking, the top of this oak tree fell and caused some damage to the Eva Deal house.



Hurricane Ivan simply snapped this pine tree in half with its strong winds last Thursday.



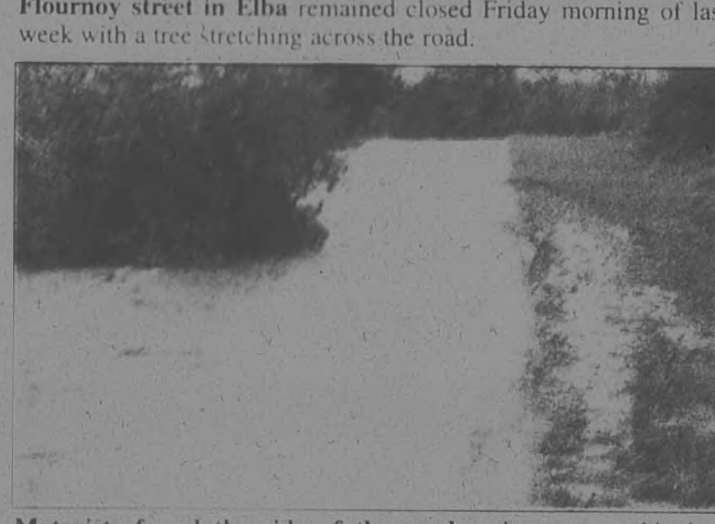
The strong winds of Hurricane Ivan caused a lot of damage to power lines. Here a night light from a resident's yard along Highway 189 North is tangled in power lines.



Flournoy street in Elba remained closed Friday morning of last week with a tree stretching across the road.



Many trees could not withstand the force of the winds associated with Hurricane Ivan.



Motorists found the side of the road to be very muddy last Thursday. This picture shows where people drove around trees in the roadway.

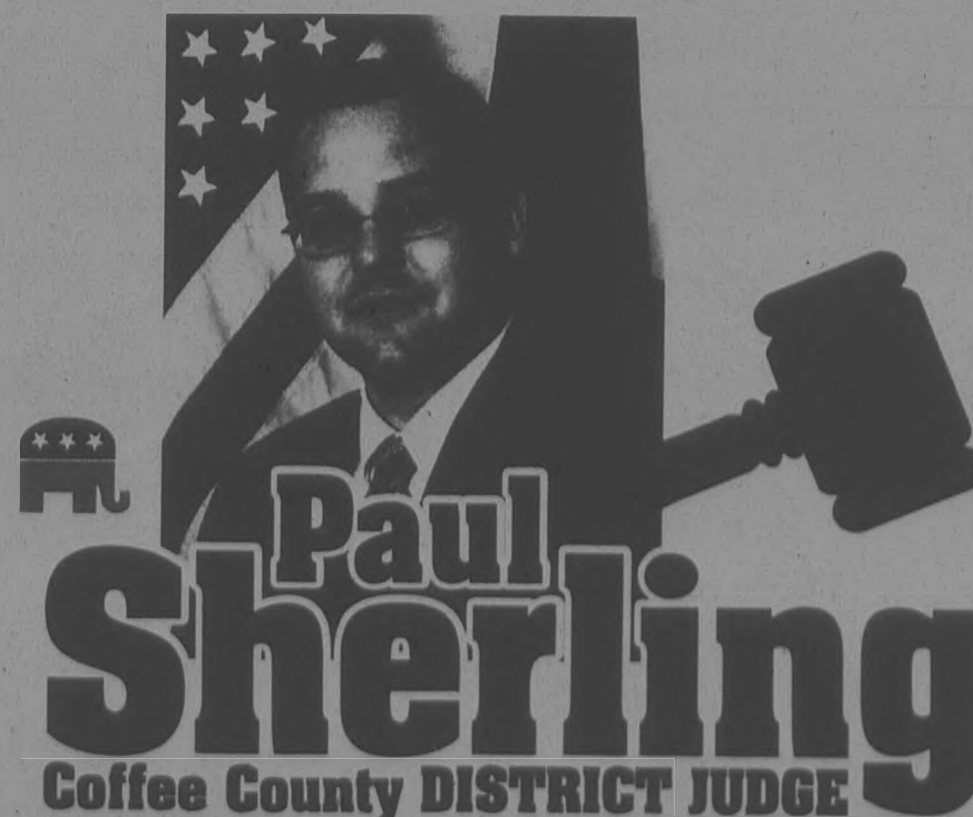


The roads in Coffee County were closed last Thursday because of scenes like this where trees and debris covered the roadway.

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**Homecoming set
for Sunday, Oct. 3
at Newbia Baptist**
Newbia Baptist Church, located on Coffee County Road 330, will celebrate Homecoming Sunday, Oct. 3.
Services will begin at 10 a.m. with Sunday School followed at 11 a.m. with Morning Worship. Pastor Wayne Webber will deliver the message.
Lunch will follow the morning service, and an afternoon singing will conclude the Homecoming celebration.
Everyone is invited to attend.

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THANKS FOR THE SERVICE...Elba Dairy Queen owner Sam Cooper(right) and current employees gathered last Tuesday morning, Sept. 14, to say thanks to Reba Morris (left) for 20 combined years of service with the restaurant. Morris worked at the restaurant between the years of 1981-1997. She returned to the business in 2000 when Cooper became the owner and worked until just recently. Cooper said he felt dedicated employees like Morris deserve to be recognized.



L-R: Pat C. Presley, Betty C. Gaudney, Odell Cotney, Lena Young Cotney, Nell C. Smith, and Daisy C. Martin (at 80th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Cotney, parents of the sisters, in 1977)

Curtis School to hold 19th annual reunion Saturday, October 9

The 19th annual Curtis School reunion will be held Saturday, Oct. 9, under the covered pavilion behind the New Ebenezer (Curtis) Baptist Church.

Honored family will be daughters of Odell and Lena Young Cotney, who will share their memories of the school. Outstanding student will be Dr. Susan (Sue) Wilson Fletcher, who is a retired nursing instructor at a North Carolina University.

Also to be featured as speaker will be Mrs. Evelyn Whitman Hocutt, who taught at Curtis Jr. High School the last five years the school was in service, 1962-67. She will also share her memories, and receive a plaque commemorating her dedication to the students and the school.

Anyone who ever attended the school or worked in any capacity is welcome, as well as friends and family members.

Those attending are asked to bring food and drinks - serving utensils and ice will be furnished.

Registration begins at 10:30, lunch at 12:00 noon, and program begins at 1:00.

For more information contact Janice C. Hudson at 527-3701.

A \$10 minimum donation is requested per walker, and walkers are encouraged to obtain additional donations to help the

Always Patsy Cline encore planned

The Understudy Dinner Theatre is presenting an encore performance of "Always Patsy Cline" for one night only on Friday, September 24th. The show stars Patsy Moseley as Patsy Cline and Kate Sheffield as Louise, and Avid Fan that developed a friendship with Cline when she was a country star. The show played to sell-out Audiences in August of this year at the understudy and the Flowers Center in Ozark. It is directed by Margie Benson and features the Bobcat Band under the direction of Ricky Shirley. The theatre is located at 228-C South Dates Street in historic downtown Dothan in the back section of the basketcase building. Dinner is served at 6:30 and showtime is at 7:30.

Reservations are required by calling 1-334-792-1268 or toll free 1-866-206-2337. The cost for dinner and show is \$30 and \$20 for the show only.



Altrusa International Inc. of Jack, Ala. recently presented the third grade classes at Zion Chapel School with dictionaries. This is the second year the club has made the dictionary donation to the school. Those pictured include (front row) - Kally Jernigan, Dalton Sikes, Michael DeSandro, Whitney Rugg, Candance Kelley; (middle row) - Aharon McCollough, Shelby Sorrells, Brooke Manning, Brandi McInnis; (back row) - Jennifer Amstrong & Angie Jinright (Altrusa representatives), Betty McIntosh, Kristy Jones, & Beverly McCall (3rd grade teachers).

2004 Alzheimer's A Walk to Remember to be Saturday, October 2

You still have time to make plans to participate in the 2004 Alzheimer's A Walk to Remember, which will take place Saturday, Oct. 2, at Westgate Recreation Center on Westgate Parkway in Dothan.

Barbara Everett is chairman of the 12th annual Alzheimer's walk. The goal of the walk is to not only raise funds for education and support services for Alzheimer families, but also to raise awareness of the devastation of Alzheimer's disease.

The annual walk is the primary fund-raiser for the Alzheimer's Resource Center of Dothan, and all of the money raised at the walk stays in the local area to provide services for families, caregivers and victims of Alzheimer's disease in southeast Alabama and parts of northwest Florida.

Alzheimer's disease is an incurable, progressive, degenerative disease of the brain, which can result in memory loss, confu-

sion, personality and behavior changes, impaired judgment and other problems. Some 4 1/2 million Americans have Alzheimer's disease, and 14 million are expected to have Alzheimer's by the middle of the century unless a cure or preventive measures can be discovered.

The Alzheimer's Resource Center provides monthly family support groups, and telephone helpline, as well as books, pamphlets and brochures. Kay Jones is executive director of the center.

Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m., team photos will be made at 8 a.m., and the walk will begin following brief opening ceremonies at 8:30 a.m. There will be one-mile, three-mile and five-mile walks.

Trophies and plaques will be awarded to the teams that raise the most money and have the most walkers participating. Prizes will also go to the top adult and youth individual fund-raisers.

Call Kay Jones at the Alzheimer's Resource Center, (334) 702-2273 or 1-888-702-8689 for information.

Alzheimer's Resource Center reach its goal of \$75,000. Each walker who raises \$50.00 or more will be given a special 2004 A Walk to Remember T-shirt.

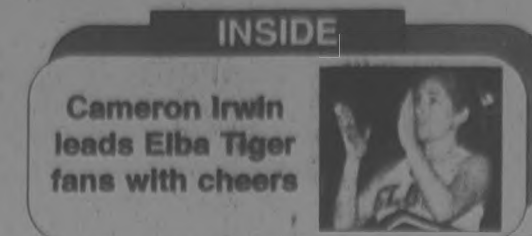
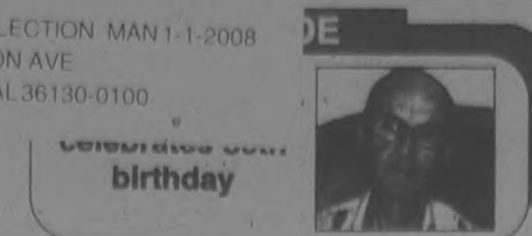
There will also be refreshments, music and door prizes at the walk. After the walk, Shann Mann's barbecue will be available for \$5 a plate.

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In an attempt to reorganize

Dorsey files Chapter 11 Bankruptcy

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

As of Friday, Sept. 17, Dorsey Trailers is again in bankruptcy. The company filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy in an effort to gain time to overcome several ongoing problems.

Company President and Chief Financial Officer Tasha Dolan said in an interview recently that the filing was made due to ongoing litigation which the company has been unable to settle, along with some cash flow

and other internal problems. She said the decision was a hard one to make, but it is believed by management that more people will be protected if this action is taken and thus they made the difficult decision to file the reorganization (or Chapter 11) bankruptcy.

The company has 120 days to prepare a plan to keep the company operating. This could include finding a buyer who would keep the company operating in the Elba plant and/or devising an approved plan to pump fresh money into the existing management's operation.

At this point management is still exploring the available options with the idea of moving in a positive direction for the company, community and the creditors, Dolan said.

Senator Richard Shelby announces Alabama projects in line for funding

U.S. Senator Richard Shelby has announced a number of Alabama projects which are in line for federal funding in bills working their way through Congress.

H. Rucker is in line for \$16.5 million for construction of an aircraft maintenance hanger. This state-of-the-art facility will replace three existing facilities. The Army post will also get \$24 million for construction improvements to family housing.

In total, \$98 million for Alabama Military Construction projects was included in the

Military Construction Appropriations Act for fiscal year 2005.

Senator Shelby, a member of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior, also announced the approval of several funding requests for Alabama included in the Fiscal Year 2005 Interior Appropriations Bill. The Interior Appropriations Bill is now headed to the full Senate for consideration.

Projects include \$15.5 million for the Mobile Tensaw Delta for Please See FUNDS, Page 16

Elba City Council approves operating budget for FY2005

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

Monday night the Elba City Council adopted a new operating budget for the coming year which begins Friday morning.

The new budget projects a total income of \$3,121,500, up from a projected \$2,700,500 in the previous budget. These numbers reflect the same \$500,000 transfer from the Elba

Water and Electric Board as was projected last year and the same \$100,000 anticipated to be received from various state and federal grants.

The bulk of the increased income is expected to come from more cigarette tax; \$50,000 of alcohol tax which was not budgeted last year; increased sales and use taxes and increased privilege license

income. Added expenses include additional payroll taxes which are expected to jump from \$95,000 to \$105,000 in the new year; a \$20,000 increase in insurance costs; rising landfill costs; several categories of operating costs are expected to drop, but the savings are being eaten up by salaries, which are budgeted to increase by \$35,000, giving the department an increase of \$15,000 in operating costs; the street department budget is increased by \$15,000, which is due to salaries and fuel costs; recreation department, which also does much, if not all of the cemetery, parks, airport, etc. mowing, will increase by \$5,000 in salaries; capital expenditures will more than double due to increased paving repairs, buying a new trash truck, and factoring in \$50,000 of debt retirement which was paid but not listed in last year's budget.

Mayor James Grimes noted to



Elba Mayor James Grimes (center) presents a certificate of appreciation to outgoing council members L.M. Burch (left) and Junior Culver (right) during Monday evening's Elba City Council meeting.

City Clerk Wayne Grantham told council members the city has three trucks picking up

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CAUGHT IN THE BUSHES...Officers with the Elba Police Department responded to the scene of a one-vehicle accident last Friday morning, Sept. 24, shortly after 8 a.m. The incident occurred on County Road 365 after the driver of this late model Chevrolet Malibu apparently ran off the road's wooden bridge. The vehicle came to a bumpy stop next to the bushes. Although the vehicle sustained noticeable damage, the driver escaped with only minor injuries. She was said to be mostly shaken up by the unexpected ride. Officers said the driver was wearing a seat belt, and the air bag deployed at the point of impact. This accident was investigated by Elba Police Officer Dalton Grimes.

Elba Water Works and Electric Board joins other electric utilities in celebrating Public Power Week

Elba Water Works and Electric Board will celebrate Public Power Week, Oct. 3-9, along with more than 2,000 other electric utilities that collectively provide electricity on a not-for-profit basis to 43 million Americans.

"Public Power Week honors Elba Water Works and Electric Board community ownership, which results in reliable affordable electricity for citizens and businesses," said James E. Grimes, superintendent of Elba Water Works and Electric Board. "It also recognizes the economic, social, and environmental contributions of a community-owned power system."

Public Power Week is a national, annual event sponsored in conjunction with the American Public Power Association (APPA) in Washington, D.C. APPA is the service organization for community- and state-owned electric utilities.

"It's hard to imagine life without electricity," Grimes said. "Electricity makes everything

we do easier and better. And having a community-owned electric system to provide our power also makes our lives better because we can make decisions locally and use our resources in ways that best suit our needs."

Elba Water Works and Electric Board invites community members to participate in a variety of Public Power Week events.

"We at Elba Water Works and Electric Board are committed to providing the best service possible to our customers and in doing so, enriching their lives," Grimes said.

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REMINDER

The general election is just over a month away with voters set to go to the polls on Tuesday, Nov. 2nd.

Elba automotive supplier reopens trainee recruitment

Opportunities to train for production operator jobs with Elba automotive supplier Toledo Molding and Die Inc. become available Monday, Sept. 27. The company specializes in injection and blow molding plastic parts.

AIDT training applications will be available at the plant at 375 Highway 205 (State Road 189) in Elba, and at the Alabama Career Centers in Andalusia, 312 West Gate Plaza, and in Enterprise, 2021 Boll Weevil Circle.

The 92,000-square-foot Elba facility was completed in the first quarter of 2004. Capabilities include blow molding, injection molding and assembly of automotive heating/ventilation/air conditioning components, duct systems, and

air induction systems. The plant has a wide range of press sizes, as well as full service supplier capabilities. The plant will employ 100 production operators when fully staffed.

Applicants with a high school diploma or GED and at least six months of industrial experience are preferred. Trainees must complete AIDT's job preparation program to be considered for employment. Applicants selected for training will be notified of the training schedule and location.

Starting wages are \$8 per hour and higher, based on skills. Employee benefits include medical insurance, paid holidays, vacation time and an air-conditioned workplace.

TMD will select employees

Area Happenings

THE COFFEE COUNTY AMERICAN RED CROSS DISASTER SERVICES will hold a Hurricane Ivan After Action Meeting at the Enterprise Civic Center at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 30.

THE 2004 HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SEASON continues Friday, Oct. 1, with the Elba Tigers traveling to Houston County. Also, New Brockton will host Cottonwood. Kinston will travel to Brantley and Zion Chapel will host Goshen.

ELBA HIGH SCHOOL HOMECOMING PARADE will be October 8, at 3:00 p.m. - to submit entries please contact Elba High School @ 897-2266.

Recruiting information is available electronically at the AIDT web site <www.aidt.edu/companyjobs.htm> and at Alabama Career Centers and their web site <cs.dlr.alabama.gov>.

AIDT, part of the state's two-year college system, develops and coordinates training programs for companies that create jobs in Alabama through startup or expansion. Since 1971, AIDT has delivered job-specific training programs for more than 200,000 Alabamians employed by more than 3,500 organizations.

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HANGING BY A LINE...Sparks definitely flew Monday afternoon, Sept. 27, near the offices of Quality Wood Work and NASCO Equipment Company after a tractor-trailer got caught on a power line. Elba emergency personnel and electrical workers responded to the scene at approximately 12:50 p.m. after the entanglement of a tractor-trailer and power line sent sparks, poles and lines flying. With power lines down, the scene was quickly secured by emergency personnel. The Elba Fire Department was dispatched to the scene to put out a small fire caused by the falling power lines while Elba Police officers investigated the incident. The biggest job, however, went to the employees of the Elba Electric Department. The workers spent a majority of the afternoon replacing the damaged lines and pole shown above. No injuries resulted from this highly dangerous situation.